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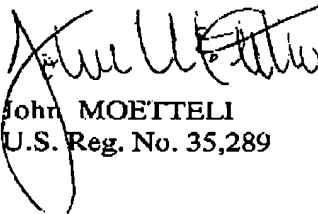
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Respectfully submitted,

Date : March 13, 2007

  
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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		<b>ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER</b> PUS-P001-043N
		<b>U.S. APPLICATION NO.</b> (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
<b>INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.</b> PCT/IB2004/003676	<b>INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE</b> 10.11.2004	<b>PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED</b> 10.11.2003
<b>TITLE OF INVENTION</b> INSERTER FOR MINIMALLY INVASIVE JOINT SURGERY		
<b>APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US</b> LECHOT, Andre et al		
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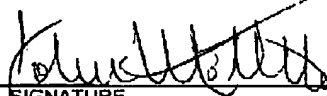
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